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**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:**      **Board of Occupational Therapy Practice**

**MEETING DATE AND TIME:**      **May 3, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.**

**PLACE:**      861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware  
                    **Conference Room A, Cannon Building**

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kelly Richardson, Professional Member, President  
Mara Beth Schmittinger, Professional Member, Vice President  
Karen Virion, Professional Member, Secretary  
Angelita Mosley, Public Member  
Even Park, Public Member

**MEMBER ABSENT**

There were no absent members.

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General  
Mary Melvin, Administrative Specialist II

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Suzanne Reid  
Mary Reihl  
Connie Shetler  
Amanda Shepherd  
Virginia Gashler  
Rene Oakes  
Kevin Bielanski  
Kristi Watro  
Ann Neal  
Laurie Morris  
Elizabeth Downing  
Joyce Kuterbach

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Richardson called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from March 1, 2017 for approval. A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Park, to approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Proposal to Deny Hearing for Application for Rene Oakes**

Ms. Kelly called the hearing was to order at 4:34 p.m. The Board Members introduce themselves for the record. Rene Oakes was present without an attorney and was sworn in and provided her testimony before the Board. The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Rene Oakes. The Board went into deliberations at 4:40. After deliberations, Ms. Richardson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Park, to grant the application for Rene Oakes as she met the requirements for licensure. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **Vacating Orders**

The Board voted to vacate orders for Laura Passwaters. A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Virion, to vacate the order for Ms. Passwaters. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **Signing of Vacated Orders**

The Board signed the vacated orders for Amy Welsh and Laura Passwaters.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Ratify Applications for Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant**

A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to ratify the approval of the following applications:

1. Monique Maher (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
2. Katie Voorhees (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
3. Lindsey Walls (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
4. Melanie Vizzachero (Occupational Therapist)
5. Jennifer Poulsen (Occupational Therapist)
6. Natalie Lang (Occupational Therapist)
7. Thao Pham (Occupational Therapist)
8. Nicole Mulhern (Occupational Therapist)
9. Jahan Zeb Alam (Occupational Therapist)
10. Ashley Rodriguez (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
11. Jennifer Dragone (Occupational Therapist)
12. Jamie Thompson (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
13. Alexandra Campbell (Occupational Therapist)
14. Stephanie Stutz (Occupational Therapist)
15. Michael Sparich (Occupational Therapist)

The motion was unanimously carried.

### Review of Continuing Education Activities

A motion was made by Ms. Schmittinger, seconded by Ms. Richardson, to approve the following continuing education activities as presented:

Wesley College - 300 S. New Street Dover, De  
Health and Wellness Education Summit, 2.5 hours

Wilmington, DE  
Adult & Geriatrics Special Interest Group, 1.5 hours

ARC Seminars, LLC  
Edema Management in Acute Rehabilitation, 6.75 hours

Numotion  
Go Baby Go Workshop, 7 hours  
Custom Molding: The Way and the How, 2-3 hours  
The Effects of MWC Configuration o Function, 2 hours  
Pressure Injury Update: Reviewing Current Evidence and New Terminology, 1 hour  
Thinking Outside the Code, 2 hours  
Power WC Driving Methods for your Toughest Client, 3 hours  
Enhance your Pediatric Client's Power Mobility Potential, 4 hours

John H. Ammon Medical Education Center at Christiana Hospital  
Pulmonary Seminar: Assessment & Intervention, 4 hours  
Techniques

Delaware Technical Community College-Wilmington Campus  
OTA Program Advisory Committee, 1.5 hours  
Leadership Panel, 2.0 hours

Various Locations  
Vestibular Rehabilitation Workshop, 19.5 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

### Review Application

The board reviewed the application for Brenda Davis. A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to approve the application. The motion was unanimously carried.

### Review and Consider Recommendations of the Chief Hearing Officer

There were no Recommendations.

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Ratify Sponsor Change

The Board ratified the sponsor change for CE course entitled "Foundations of Manual Therapy Practice Utilizing an Integrative Approach" from sponsor Epic Development Services to Schreiber Pediatrics Rehab Center. A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Virion, to approve the ratification.

### **OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Ms. Schmittinger announced the upcoming AOTA Conference held at Dover Downs this weekend. Mrs. Schmittinger also gave an update on the AOTA Conference that took place in March, and advised licensees to pay attention to the AOTA updates. Ms. Schmittinger also discussed briefly the new telehealth regulations and in relation a future discussion on Interstate Licensure.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A member of the public, Suzanne Reid addressed the Board with a question regarding supervision requirements. Ms. Richardson pointed out section 1.3 in the rules and regulations as a reference.

### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Park made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Melvin  
Administrative Specialist II

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